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## More Jackintosh Adventures

by Fred Hatfield

Bitmap Memory Dumps

Damping [ackintoshis memory is one way to find out about the system operation. However, the 520ST is a "new" type of computer -- considerably different from what has gone before. Instead of being "text" oriented, the Jackintosh is part of a breed known "bit-mapped".~ mapped" is a fancy way of saying that the screen display is controlled by individual pixels representation in memory. In other words, for every pixel on the screen

display, there is a corresponding bit in memory that can be "on" or "off." (For simplicity, we'll skip the color concept at the moment.)

If you think about it, that means that any text to be displayed has to be represented by such "bit patterns" in memory, i.e., the letters A, B, C, E, etc. Each will have to be stored in memory and moved to the screen display area as needed. This also means that if you know where the bit patterns are stored, it would be possible to substitute another "typeface" for the existing one. In fact, it would be possible to

have a number of substitute typefaces that you could select at will.

Here are two programs that will display bitmap patterns on an EPSON printer. The first one (IDUMP for "Icon Dump") (on page 143) will display sequential memory locations so that you can locate icons. The second program (FDUMP for "Font Dump") (on page 58) will display "interlaced" memory strips to show you the construction of a font. "Interlaced memory strips" will be

explained later in this article.

Icon See You're Interested

IDUMP has it's count controls set for a 32x32 bitmap matrix. This is the most

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# **Applying The Atari**

by Jeff Brenner

Yes, we've made it to 1986, and what could be a more appropriate way to start the year than with a computerized appointment calendar program? With Pace, the Personal Appointment Calendar & Editor, you'll never have an excuse for missing an appointment again. This month we'll also read some reader mail, look back on 1985, and get a glimpse of some Halley's Comet software available for the Atari.

### Retrospect

Surely, 1985 will be remembered for both the Atari ST and the Commodore Amiga, regardless of how well each has sold during this holiday season. As I write this column in November, everybody is talking about the amazing capabilities of the Amiga. Even A.N.A.L.O.G. has acknowledged that many Atari-users consider the Amiga to be the real next-generation Atari machine. For those less int terested in the Amiga's graphics and sound capabilities, however, most would agree that the Atari 520ST offers comparable performance at a much more affordable price. Maybe everybody should buy both machines. Or, how about neither. Many computer-users dislike the notion of upgrading to a new computer when the industry tells them to; i.e. now's the time to dump that 8-bit antique and get a Mac-like machine." Many 8-bit Atari owners have put a significant investment in their machines in software and hardware, and are less than thrilled about starting over from scratch with a brand new system.

One thing is for certain, though. The prices for soft-

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ware and hardware for the 8-bit line have dropped considerably. Many Atari users have finally been able to expand to fully-equipped Atari systems with disk drives, modems, and more versatile printers. The lower disk drive prices have made the cassette-based Atari system almost extinct:

Well, by 1986 you'll know the score. I'm still hoping to see a true 32-bit, multi-megabyte machine from Atari--maybe they could add some Amigarivaling graphics and sound effects while they're at it. We'll have to wait and see what 1986 brings.

### Reader Mail

Q. I purchased the first issue ever of Computer Shopper in September and came across your Response Analysis Program (9/85, page 59), which I spent 3 and 1/2 hours typing in. I was intrigued with this program and looked forward to demonstrating it to friends and relatives to show that computers can be programmed to simulate artificial intelligence.

After keying it in, it did not work properly. Enclosed I give you a printout showing an example of the responses I get.

The program only responds with the statements contained in the last few lines, i.e. 5580 to 5587. It does not pick up on the key words the way it is supposed to. Any suggestions?

H. G. Hittenberg Toronto, Ont. Canada

A. The printout that H.G. Wittenberg sent me was quite humorous and a portion of it follows:

>I WANT TO TALK ABOUT WORK RAP: EXPLAIN FURTHER

>WORK - YOU KNOW -WHERE ONE GOES TO EARN MONEY RAP: AND WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THAT?

>I THINK WORK IS NECESSARY AND ENOBLING RAP: I DON'T UNDERSTAND

>WELL, YOU ARE NOT PICKING UP THE KEY WORD WORK! RAP: WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW?

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## **Atari Help**

by Jeff Brenner

Q. The August 1984 issue of Computer Shopper included a program for alphabetizing words and then storing and retrieving these words. This program has turned out to be very handy. Is there a way to delete words from the alphabetized list?

John M. Hirsch Normal, IL

A. There are two easy ways to delete an entry from an alphabetized list. Consider the following string, which represents five words A, B, C, D and E;

WORDS\$ = "ABCDE"
Each "word" has its own position in the string; "A" is in position 1, "B" is in position 2, and so forth. Deleting an entry is then a simple matter if you are familiar with the way Atari BASIC handles strings. If you wanted to delete the "B" entry above, for example, the following-command would do the trick;

WORDS\$(2) = WORDS\$(3,5) This tells the computer to place in position 2 (where the "B" resides) the entries in positions 3 through 5. Thus, WORDS\$ now contains:

"ACDE"

The "B" has been deleted.

A similar procedure can be used to delete an entry in August's alphabetizing program. For example, to delete entry number X, use the following:

LET WORD\$\$(X\*20-19) = WORD\$\$(X\*20 + 1,LEN(WORD\$\$)),

Q. I am interested in finding any information concerning the ability of expanding the memory on my 800XL Atari. It would be greatly appreciated if you could tell me if this is possible and, if so, who I may purchase these components from to further the use of my system.

Andrew Leo Eddings Alabaster, AL

A. Over a year ago I recall that Axlon and one other company had been manufacturing a 128K memory expansion for the 800 (although this would not necessarily be compatible with the XL). The extra memory was accessed through bank switching of a 4K address area. I haven't heard anything about it since then, although I can tell you that it would not be compatible with the DOS 2.5 RAMDISK for the 130XE. If any readers produce or know of a 128K memory expansion currently available for the 800XL. Please write and tell

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>YOU ARE MAKING ME ANGRY RAP: YOU SEEM UNCOM-FORTABLE WITH THIS TOPIC!

>NO, I AM ANGRY AND MAD THAT YOU DO NOT PICK UP THE KEY WORDS RAP: TELL ME MORE.

>LOOK UP DATA STATE-MENT IN LINE 1280-THAT'S WHERE YOU FIND ANGRY, MAD RAP: THAT IS INTERESTING-GO ON

>YOU ARE SUPPOSED TO COME UP WITH RESPONSE IN LINES 5390-5392! RAP: LET'S HEAR ALL ABOUT IT!

While it may seem that RAP is putting up a good fight with H. Wittenberg, RAP is answering only with its dummy responses, such as "AND WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THAT?" and "TELL ME MORE."

The Response Analysis Program as listed in the September 1985 column, has been thoroughly tested on an Atari 800, 800XL, and 130XE, and will work perfectly if it has been entered correctly. The cause of H. Wittenberg's problem is most definitely a typing error. However, a TRAP statement in the program makes it difficult to spot errors since a faul-

ty program will still run without error messages; the program is directed to give a dummy response whenever an error occurs in the program. Therefore, readers who are not getting proper responses from RAP, should change the TRAP 1190 on line 650 to a TRAP 40000. This disables the trap command and will let the program stop executing when an error occurs.

The best way to check RAP is to type in some lines from the sample conversation provided on page 59 of September's issue. For example, if you type:

I'M CHECKING TO SEE IF YOU WORK PROPERLY.

RAP should give a response such as:

FOR HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN CHECKING TO SEE IF I WORK PROPERLY.

If you enter H. Wittenberg's statement, "I WANT TO TALK ABOUT WORK," a properly entered RAP will respond with a response such as:

DO YOU KNOW MANY PEOPLE WHO ENJOY THEIR JOBS?

As I have stressed in the past, the best insurance against typing errors when entering programs from this column is the Program Perfect utility, which uses the three-letter codes preceding each program line to verify lines as they are entered into the computer. See April's column (1985) for a listing of Program Perfect (the instructions are printed in May's column), or readers can purchase a Program Perfect diskette with documentation (see the end of this article).

Q. Regarding the small print in the manual supplied by Optimized Systems Software for their Basic XE cartridge (and presumably for their other products as well). It seems I, with overworked and less than perfect eyesight, trustingly ordered Basic XE by mail. Now, I have no gripe with the product. A recently published benchmark sort took nine minutes on my 130XE. When I plugged in the Basic XE cartridge, just to see what would happen (since I can't read the tiny print in their manual) the same exact benchmark ran in 3:30 flat, This is clearly a powerful product but, alas, I may never get full use of it, despite having paid full price. Oh, I know I could have gotten a refund. That's not the point. I want everything this product can do for me--the full capability I paid for. So, I wrote a strong gripe on the warranty form when I sent it in. The response from OSS to date has been a big round zilch. Ironically, they have other products I'd like and can afford to buy. Will I? Will

I've spent many years in marketing and advertising and there's a moral here. The smart marketers today know that it's not enough merely to make the initial sale of complex hardware, software or firmware products. You must support (and keep on selling) every customer after the sale if you want to build your company. The only practical way to do that for sales that doesn't amount to big bucks is by providing manuals that are practical, understandable and readable. In fact, good manuals are powerful marketing tools for high-tech products. We get them from Synapse, from Datasoft and others. Even the tiny "one guy. and a bright idea" operators are putting out documentation that's readable, even if they don't spell too well.

Unfortunately, OSS saw a chance to save a few bucks on printing and paper; a decision that may be good finance but is lousy marketing. It cheats every customer who doesn't have the eyes of an eagle. So, watch yourselves, all near-sighted hackers. Caveat emptor is alive and well in the marketplace.

Roy Hutchins Rochester, NY

A. I'm well aware of how annoying small print can be, even for those of us with the best eyesight, as I have received numerous letters about the small size of the program listings in this column. I can imagine that this would be even more frustrating when one pays good money for a commercial software product from a respectable company such as

Optimized Systems Software. But perhaps an even more serious problem lies with the manufacturers that print manuals that are legible, but make no sense to the average computer user. This is seen frequently in the computer industry with companies that let their programmers and engineers write the manuals, instead of hiring a professional writer. Even worse are the companies that do not provide enough documentation, or none at all. Such was the case for a long time with Atari's XL computers. The machines came with a little booklet that gave instructions for setting up the machine and disk drives-a far cry from the reference manual and BASIC book that were included with my original Atari 800 several years ago. Now Atari is including a much more substantial 130-page booklet and hopefully other companies, such as OSS, will move in this direction, for their own good as well as for their customers'.

### RAP Intelligence Expansion

October's (1985) column contained instructions for adding your own keywords and responses to RAP. For those readers who still want to teach RAP some new tricks, I have put together over 30 more keywords and more than 100 additional responses. I don't have space to print it in the column, but the "Intelligence Expan-

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### FDUMP Program

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TO PARSE :A

MAKE "B .EXAMINE :A

MAKE "C1 INT (:B / 16)

MAKE "C2 :B - (16 % :C1)

BREAKUP :C1

BREAKUP :C2

IF (:CX = 0) [RUN :GRO G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 1) [RUN :GR1 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 2) [RUN :GR2 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 3) [RUN :GR3 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 4) [RUN :GR4 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 4) [RUN :GR5 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 6) [RUN :GR5 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 7) [RUN :GR5 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 7) [RUN :GR7 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 9) [RUN :GR7 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 10) [RUN :GR1 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 11) [RUN :GR1 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 12) [RUN :GR1 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 13) [RUN :GR1 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 14) [RUN :GR1 G0 "Z]

IF (:CX = 14) [RUN :GR1 G0 "Z]

LABEL "Z

END
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TO DERG END TO DERG CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95]

TO DGR1 MAKE "GR1 TTYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 2233 END

TO DGR2
MAKE "GR2 LTYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 951
END

TO DGR3 - MAKE "GR3 CTYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 2237 END

MAKE "GR4 CTYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95].

TO DGRS
MAKE "GRS CTYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 2231
END

MAKE "GR6 LTYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 951 END

TO DBR7
MAKE "GR7 LTYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 2231
END

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MAKE "GRB CTYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95)
END

TO DGR9
MAKE "GR9 STYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 2231END

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MAKE "GR11 CTYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 951; END

TO DGR13.
MAKE "GR13 LTYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 2233 END

END
TO DGR14
MAKE "GR14 CTYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 951

TO DGR15
MAKE "GR15 CTYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR

TO FDUMP 1A

MAKE "D 1A"

MAKE "LCNT 16

LABEL "FD2

'IF (1LCNT = 0) (GO "FD4)

MAKE "C.1A

LABEL "ID2

'IF (1CNT = 0) (GD "ID4)

PARSE 1A

MAKE "C.1A

MAKE "A 1A 1

GO "ID2

LABEL "ID4

PRINT [ ]

MAKE "A 1C + 256

MAKE "A 1C +

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popular configuration for icons, although not the only one. In my previous efforts of examining memory, I located some of the icons used on the opening display screen. Enter the listing for IDUMP and run it starting at memory location 121370 decimal. The command should resemble the following:

### IDUMP 121370

During execution, you will see the file drawer, file folder, trash can, program icon, and data icon. Notice that each icon has a "mask" preceding the icon which is used as a background to prevent the icon from merging with the screen color and "disappearing." Each line on the printout is preceded by it's memory address. The "O" bits are représented by an under (\_) for reference purposes. Since this program is only a skeleton, further refinements can be added to make it more useful. For example, instead of using the underline character, you could use a capital "L," which

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would give a more definite pixel representation.

The printer representation for a "1" is a filled character cell (decimal 95). Since the proportions on the printer are different than that of the screen, the icons will be extended vertically. This is not a handicap, since it allows more room for referencing individual bits and allows closer. examination of bit-mapped techniques.

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**IDUMP Program** 

TO BREAKUP ICX

IF 4:CX = 0) CRUN :GRO GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 1) CRUN :GR1 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 2) CRUN :GR2 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 3) CRUN :GR3 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 3) CRUN :GR3 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 4) CRUN :GR3 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 5) CRUN :GR3 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 6) CRUN :GR3 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 7) CRUN :GR3 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 7) CRUN :GR3 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 9) CRUN :GR3 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 10) CRUN :GR3 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 12) CRUN :GR1 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 12) CRUN :GR1 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 13) CRUN :GR1 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 14) CRUN :GR1 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 15) CRUN :GR1 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 15) CRUN :GR1 GO "Z1

IF (:CX = 15) CRUN :GR1 GO "Z1

LABEL "Z

'YCI DGRO MAKE "GRO LTYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95)

TO DGR1 MAKE "GR1 [TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223] END

TO DGR2
MAKE "GR2 (TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95)
END

MAKE "GR3 LTYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 2231

MAKE "GR4 LTYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95)

MAKE "GR7" KTYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 2231 END

"GRB LTYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 951

"GR11 CTYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 2231

GR12 CTYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 95)

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"GR5 [TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223]

"GRA CTYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95)

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TO PARSE : A

MAKE "B \_EXAMINE : A

MAKE "C! INT (:B / 16)

MAKE "C2 : B - (16 \* .:C1)

BREAKUP :C1 BREAKUP :C2

TO BREAKUP ICX

### **Bit-Mapping The System Font**

The second program, FDUMP is set up to dump the standard 8x16 system font that starts at memory location 101027 decimal. Notice that the font is arranged in memory strips of 16 groups. Each group consists of a "scan line" of 8 bits representing a horizontal portion of a character. If we look at the top scan line in sequence, it would be each 8 bits across the top of the entire ASCII character set. When we

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reach the end of the first 8 bits
of the top line, we return to the
next scan line start address,
(101027 + 256 = 101283) and
there we can scan the next
group of 8 bits just below the
top line of the previous scan.
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Since the paper we print on is only 8" wide, we can't print the entire top line scan of all 256 characters, so we divide it into 8 characters across the page. This means that we will print out the bitmap in sections of 64 bits across by  $\bar{1}6$  bits high. This works out to give us all 255 characters in sequence in a display that will be sensible and useful. (I hope!).

Note that this is set up for the 8x16 character set. If you wish to dump an 8x8, you will have to modify the program control counts suitably.

Interestingly enough, examination of the print outs show that you could still use only every other line of an 8x16 character set and still have a readable character set.

### Comments

Type the Logo programs in as shown. Make sure that all typographical errors are resolved and then save them as "IDUMP LOG" "FDUMP.LOG."

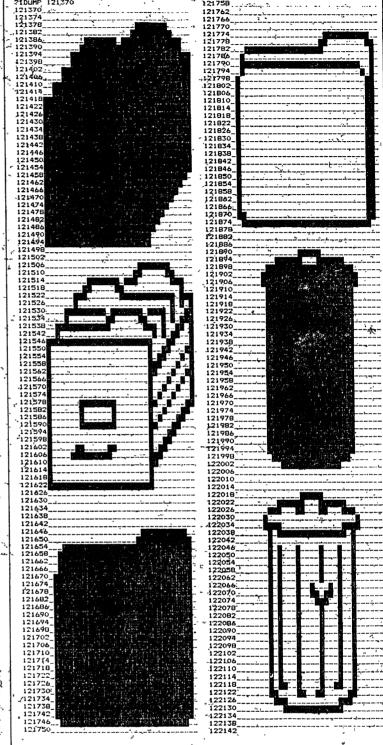
When preparing to execute, be sure to run "INITDMP" first so that all the variables will have been defined before they are used.

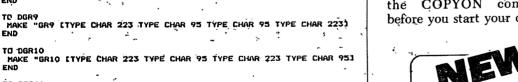
If you want a darker copy on the Epson printer, precede your dump command with: TYPE CHAR 27 PRINT CHAR, 71. This command makes the Epson double print everything so that you get a darker copy. Remember that the double print command will stay in effect until you send a new command or until youl turn the printer power off and then on. Don't forget to send the COPYON command before you start your dump.

Bit map dumps can locate interesting patterns in memory and aid in troubleshooting. They also provide an achival record of graphics, icons, and

IDUMP

font designs. If you have any ideas or comments, please send them to me at: Fred Hatfield, Box 52466, New Orleans, LA 70152





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## GRIS CTYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 95 TYPE CHAR 2233 - MAKE "GR:4 CTYPE CHAR 223-TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CHAR 951 TO DGR15" .MAKE "GR15 CTYPE CHAR 223 TYPE CH DGRO DGR1 DGR2 DGR3 DGR4 DGR5 DGR6 DGR7 DGR8 DGR9 DGR10 DGR11 DGR12 DGR13 DGR14 DGR15 TO IDUMP IA MAKE "CNT 4 TYPE IA LABEL "ID2 LABEL "ID2 IF (:CNT = 0) [GO "ID4] PARSE :A MAKE "CNT :CNT = 1 MAKE "A :A + 1 GO "ID2 : LABEL "ID4 PRINT [ ] IDUMP :A END

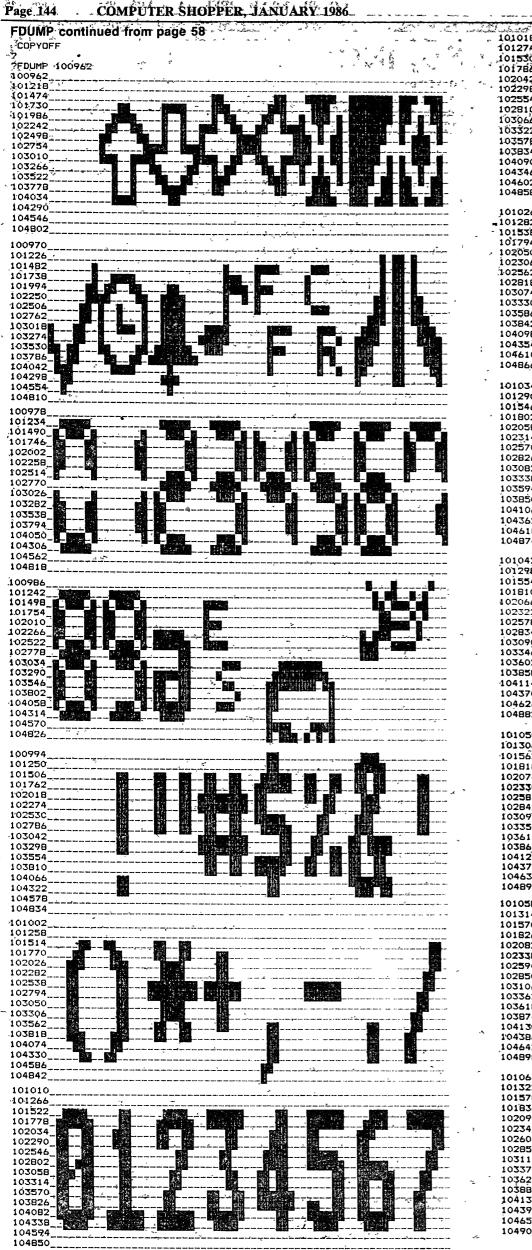


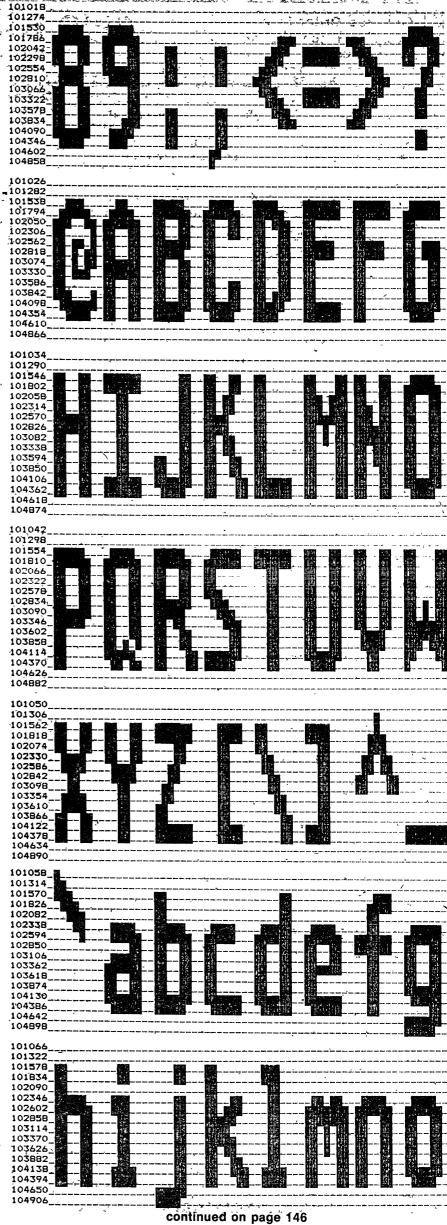
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sion" is available on diskette to readers for \$5. (See address at end of this article.) You must have at least a 48K Atari to run RAP with the expanded vocabulary.

### Halley's Comet

1986 is, of course, the year of Halley's Comet, and a few software packages on the Halley's Comet theme are available for the Atari astronomers out there. They are:

Halley Patrol, which includes an almanac and observing aid. A diskette for the 800/XL/XE is \$19.95. (Urania Systems, Box 4890, Richmond; VA 23220).

Urania Systems (address above) all produces Spacebase, which is an astronomy program that turns your television screen into a planetarium. Over 400 heavenly objects can

be plotted on the screen. \$17.95 for a diskette for the 800/XL/XE

The Halley Project is a recreational program which teaches characteristics of planets and moons. On diskette for the 800/XL/XE. (Mindscape, 3444 Dundee Road, Northbrook, IL 60062).

### Corrections/Clarifications

In November's column, the first and last lines were mysteriously omitted from the Programmable Keypad Révision. These changes are necessary for the program to function properly with the XL/XE revisions:

70 RESTORE: TOT = 0: FOR I = 1536 TO 1616 : READ NUM490 FOR I = O TO 16:IF PR(I)>-1 THEN POKE 1599 + I,PR(I)

Additionally, change the following line in the Recipe Manager program: 1260 IF I = 28

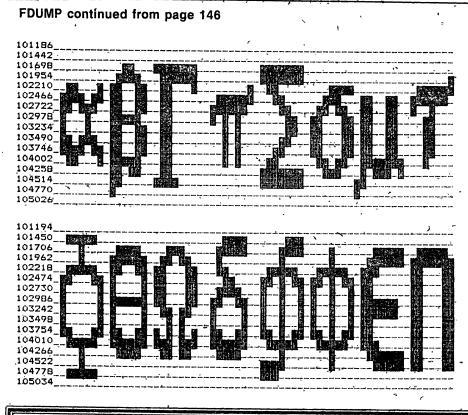
THEN

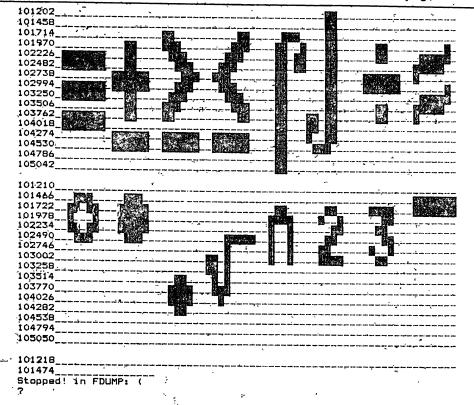
POP: K = 27: GOTO 730This enables the ESC key to

return you to the menu when you are on the CATEGORY: prompt.

In last month's column, the program segment that is labeled the "continued" section of the Simple Memory Tester is actually the remaining lines of the Recipe Manager Additions. Hence, the first part of Recipe

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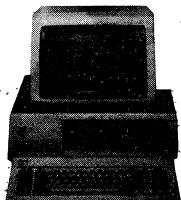
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Q. I recently purchased a Percom disk for my Atari 800XL because of an article in the June 1983 issue of Creative Computing (pp. 114-116). However, the two Percom manuals refer only to the TL 99/4A. Will this drive work with my Atari 800XL?

Paul T. Johnson Ellenville, NY

A. Unless you know of an electronics engineer who owes

you a lot of favors, you're going to have a rough time trying to get a TI 99/4A Percom to work with the Atari. If you can somehow return the drive to where you purchased it, do so. I don't think you can still get an Atari Percom drive, but vou may want to consider an Atari 1050 disk drive. Prices on this disk drive have dropped greatly in recent months.

Q. Do you know what's involved hooking up my Atari 130XE to my shortwave communications-receiver- to

### decodé morse on-line? Robert Harren Pueblo, CO

A. I suggest you contact Cantronics (1202 E. 23rd Street, Lawrence, KS 66044). I am told that this company sells various Atari-compatible interfaces and software for shortwave communications. Good luck.

Q. Thanks for the keyboard programs (latest version in November 1985 Computer Shopper, page 180). How can I change the program to make it operate with joystick port #2 instead of #1?

Donald Parsons Delmar, NY

A. The following lines can be changed to read from joystick port 2 instead of port

80 DATA 92,228,174,133,2,240,5,202 90 DATA 134,204,240,40,174,121,2,228 120 DATA 204,134,206,230,205,173,115,2

Address Atari-related questions to: Jeff Brenner, "Atari Help" c/o Computer Shopper, P.O. Box F, Titusville, FL 32781-9990.

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(period) sequence to select text from the insertion point to the bottom of a document. This causes an emergency exit from the program;

MULTIPLAN; In Multiplan versions 1.02 and earlier, if the information stored in the clipboard is greater than 50 cells, and you see the message "Save Formatted/Unformatted Values," paste them into the Scrapbook before trying to paste into another application. Clipboards storing more than 50 cells will not transfer to the other application; and 3. CHART: When using

Chart with Switcher, make it the first application that is installed. If you do not, arrows on charts may not appear in

their correct positions.

BOOKS: Your Universe Master recently received two books that can be recommended; Clapp, Doug Clapp's Jazz Book; The Quintessential Guide to Mastering Jazz on Your Macintosh and Aker, MicroSoft Basic Programming for the Mac. Both are published by Scott, Foresman and company and cost \$17.95

Clapp's book-is merely an introduction to using Jazz; not a Jazz encyclopedia. This book should be read by anyone thinking about buying Jazz. It will provide the reader with an overview of the program's capabilities and help the novice user get started. If you already have Jazz or are a computer whiz, save your money by not buying this book.

Aker's book is similarly limited. As stated in the introduction "whether you are new to BASIC or new to the Macintosh or new to both, this guide is meant for you." All the important concepts of Micro-Soft BASIC are covered along with short programs illustrating each idea. The only caveat with this book is that your Universe Master does not know how current it is. Microsoft will shortly release version 2.01 of BASIC. If that version is as different from version 2.0 as 2.0 was from 1.0, then the book is seriously outdated.

COMPUSERVE: month's CompuServe pick is an arcade game called Social Climber. The goal of the game is to transverse a level of seven floors within a limited time period without being hit by a moving elevator. Every time one level is transversed another level appears. The higher the level, the faster the elevators move and the less time you have to transverse it.

Social Climber is shareware and you are encouraged to send a small monetary token to the developer, CSI Design Group. Social Climber is found in DL5 of CompuServe MAUG the file name

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### 520 ST Newsletter

The Jackintosh Boston Users' Group is a part of The Boston Computer Society for Atari 520ST users and has sent me its latest newsletter for ST users. Their address: The Boston computer Society, Jackintosh User Group, One Center Plaza, Boston, MA 02108. Other groups: Let's see your newsletters--send them in to

#### PACE

Now it's time to enter PACE, the Personal Appointment Calendar & Editor. PACE will keep you in step with your latest plans and will remind you days in advance when important occasions, such as birthdays or exams, are approaching so you'll have time to prepare (i.e. buy and send out cards, or study). PACE can also provide you with a printout of your daily

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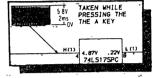
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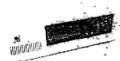
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1510 RETURN
1520 GOSUB 1450:POKE 559,0:PRINT CHR\$(125);:POKE 623,0:POKE 764,255:CT=0
1530 FOR 1=1771 TO 1790:POKE 1,10:NEXT 1
1540 POKE 1767,1:POKE 1768,8:POKE 1769,14:POKE 1770,14:POKE 1788,1
1550 RESTORE 2700:FOR 100 TO 31:READ N:POKE DL+1,N:NEXT 1
1560 POSITION 0,0:PRINT MS\$::POSITION 0,0:PRINT M48
1570 POKE 559,34:NETURN

PACE program continued from page 149

2158 TRAP 40000:C=INT(HIN/100):100:IF Y>+HIN-C THEN Y=Y+C:50T0 217 2160 Y=Y+C+100 2170 PRINT MRS; "Enter a password (RETURN for none).":INPUT \$10;PWS 2180 RS-1:GOSUB 580

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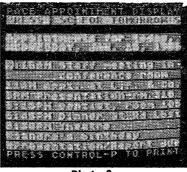
### **Applying The Atari** continued from page 149 schedule each day.

Since the program is over 300 lines long, you should be prepared to spend some time typing it in. It's a practical, user-friendly program, and it'll

be worth the effort. PACE requires a minimum of 32K and will work with diskette system only. Since PACE takes advantage of the random-access capabilities of the disk drive, a cassette recorder cannot be used. PACE program continued from page 149

J 1628 TEXTS.(I, 1)=CHRS.(ABC.(TEXTS.(I, 1))+128):INEXT I:RETURN
J 1638 PGKE 85, (40+LENTEXTS.)/2:IPRINT TEXTS:REIURN
J 1638 GRUE 85, (40+LENTEXTS.)/2:IPRINT TEXTS:REIURN
J 1636 IF K>27 AND K<123 OR K=127 OR K=134 OR K=135 OR K=126 THEN 1840
J 1636 IF K>27 AND K<123 OR K=127 OR K=134 OR K=135 OR K=126 THEN 1840
J 1636 IF K>27 AND K<123 OR K=127 OR K=134 OR K=135 OR K=126 THEN 1840
J 1636 IF K>274 THEN 1840
J 1639 POKE 752, 1:PRINT CHRS.(K); 7\*PEEK (84):POSITION 8, 13:PRINT CHRS.(156);
J 1739 POKE 752, 1:PRINT CHRS.(K); 7\*PEEK (84):POSITION 17:19
J 1739 POKE 752, 1:PRINT CHRS.(S); 1\*POKE 1787, 18:GOTO 17:19
J 1739 IF K>27 THEN RETURN
J 1739 IF K>28 THEN 1838 (80+127); 1\*OKE 183); 1\*OKE 183, 1\*OTO 1858
J 1739 IF K>18 THEN 1838 (824-23, K24-PEEK (85)+8)
J 1739 IF K>18 THEN 1838 (824-23, K24-PEEK (85)+8)
J 1739 IF K>18 THEN 1838 (824-23, K24-PEEK (85)+8)
J 1839 BOTO 1658
J 1839 FF.PEEK (85):Y3 THEN POKE 85, 8:POKE 84, PEEK (84)+1
J 1849 FF.PEEK (85):Y3 THEN POKE 85, 3:POKE 84, PEEK (84)+1
J 1849 IF K=125 THEN POKE 85, 3:POKE 84, PEEK (84)+1
J 1849 IF K=125 THEN POKE 85, 3:POKE 84, PEEK (84)+1
J 1849 IF K=125 THEN POKE 85, 3:POKE 84, PEEK (84)+1
J 1849 IF K=125 THEN POKE 85, 3:POKE 84, PEEK (84)-1:PORINT CHRS.(K); 1:PRINT CHRS

Enter the program listed under the "Personal Appointment Calendar & Editor" heading and save it to diskette. Remember to use Program Perfect so you don't get stuck with inumerable typing errors.



### Photo 3

When you run the program, you'll be ased to "INSERT YOUR DATA DISKETTE." If you are using a single-density format, you'll need a separate blank diskette to store the data. If you're using dual-density

just press RETURN if you would rather not have a password. If you opt for the password, be sure it's one you'll remember!

You'll be given the opportunity to correct any errors and then will be brought to the main screen (see Photo 2).

This is the screen that you'll see each time you run the program. If you have chosen a password, you'll have to enter the password correctly before you can access this screen.

Your name is displayed along with the date that you last used PACE. The date in the center of the screen is used to display the current date. Since you just created a data file, the previous date and the current date will be the same. When you use PACE in the future, use the START, SELECT and OPTION keys to set the new date. The day of the week is automatically calculated by er, CONTROL-P can be used at any time to print out the schedule on paper. You could also make changes on this screen at any time and they will be recorded on the disk-

Pressing ESC will show you the following day's schedule. You can revise or print out this schedule too.

Another press of the ESC key brings you to the "Upcoming important entries" screen. Here the program gives you a look at important occasions (those that had been preceded by an asterisk) that are approaching within the next seven days (see Photo 4).

When you press RETURN, you are asked if you want to enter appointments. If you type Y for this prompt, you will be returned to the main screen where you will be asked to set the date for which you want to enter appointments. You will then be brought to the PACE Appointment Display where you can enter appointments for that date. You can type freely on the mini-screen as you choose, using the Atari's control and cursor keys for positioning and editing.

You can continue entering appointments for any number of future dates by answering Y each time to the "Add or change more appointments?" prompt,

When you're done, the program will take a few seconds to save its reference data to the data diskette and will give you the option of stopping or rerunning the program. Up to 366 days of schedules can be stored

Happy New Year to all readers, and may you never miss a dentist appointment, birthday, anniversary, studying for an exam, etc., again!

### the program for any day of the year. You'll probably want to use PACE at least once a day to see your daily plans, upcomon a diskette. ing plans, and to enter new appointments.

Press RETURN when the current date is set and the PACE Appointment Display is shown. This mini-screen is where your daily appointments are read. Since you have not yet entered any appointments, this screen will be blank, but Photo 3 shows what a typical schedule might look like. The asterisks denote important occasions that are to be brought to our attention days in advance, such as birthdays or deadlines. If you have a print-

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format, you have room to store the data file and the program on the same diskette. If you, place an unformatted diskette into the dirve, the program will format it for you if you answer Y to the "Want to for-

mat diskette?" prompt.
Next, PACE will create an appointment file on the data diskette. Type Y for the "Create an appointment file?" prompt and enter your name and today's date as directed. Then you will be asked to enter a password. Since this will be your personal appointment. calendar, you may want to prevent others from peering at your plans. You can enter any password you want, or you can

### Next Month

We'll have more details on PACE and hopefully a Halley's Comet program, more reader mail and surprises too. Stay trined.

Readers' questions, comments and contributions are welcome. Please enclose a selfaddressed, stamped envelope for a personal reply.

A diskette of the programs listed in this month's column is available from the author for \$7.00, postpaid. Please specify your disk drive model.

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